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**Dear Supervisors:** 

PUBLIC LIBRARY: REQUEST TO APPROVE A SOLE SOURCE SERVICE CONTRACT WITH HARRIS & ASSOCIATES FOR SPECIAL TAX ADMINISTRATION SERVICES (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

#### <u>SUBJECT</u>

The Public Library is recommending Board approval of a sole source service contract with Harris & Associates (Harris) for a term of five years to provide specialized annual tax administration services for the Public Library's Special Tax Program. The estimated annual cost of the proposed contract is \$25,000 for routine work and as-needed services. The proposed contract also provides for full database audits at a lump sum cost of \$16,500 each. The contract shall become effective upon your Board's approval or May 13, 2008, whichever is later.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve and instruct the Chair to sign the attached sole source service contract with Harris & Associates at an estimated annual cost of \$25,000 for the provision of annual tax administration services for the Public Library's Special Tax Program, and additional lump sum amounts of \$16,500 for periodic audits of the special tax parcel database, for a term of five years, with month-to-month extensions, not to exceed a total of six months. The contract shall become effective upon your Board's approval or May 13, 2008, whichever is later.

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Authorize the County Librarian or her designee to sign amendments and execute month-to-month extensions not to exceed six months pursuant to the terms of the contract.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Public Library is recommending Board approval of a sole source service contract with Harris to provide specialized annual tax administration services for the Public Library's Special Tax Program. This will replace an existing sole source contract with the same service provider that will expire on May 12, 2008. Approval of the recommended action will assure the continuation of the systems and support that are already in place for the successful administration of the Special Tax Program and completion of the annual special tax levying process.

Harris is highly qualified to maintain and support the Public Library's Special Tax Program. This vendor has provided tax administration services and prepared the annual special tax levy for the Public Library since 1999. Harris also developed and installed a customized parcel tax database on Library staff computers to enable staff to access information regarding individual parcels to assist taxpayers in answering questions. Harris' customized software and support, along with their expert knowledge of the Department and the County's tax process, have been essential in the ongoing successful administration and levying of the Public Library's special tax.

The Department's ability to levy the special tax would be seriously impaired if the relationship with Harris is not continued. A contract award to a different vendor would be cost prohibitive and entail a considerable amount of analysis and development time to replicate the current system's functionality. A new vendor would also experience an extensive learning curve with the setup and administration of the program, and the Department would risk the current successful operation with a new vendor who is not familiar with our program.

# <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

Approval of this recommended action by the Board is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan goals in the areas of Organizational Effectiveness (3) and Fiscal Responsibility (4).

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The Public Library anticipates annual expenditures of approximately \$25,000 under the proposed contract for both the routine work required to process the annual levy for the tax bills, and as-needed services for customized work to address specialized questions and

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program requirements. As-needed services will be paid on a scheduled fee-for-service basis as specified in the contract. In addition to the basic services, the contract provides for full database audits at a lump sum cost of \$16,500 each to assure the accuracy of the database and the parcel information used to levy the special tax. The next database audit is scheduled to occur in the 2009-10 tax year. The Public Library plans to conduct two database audits during the proposed contract term. The proposed agreement does not include any cost-of-living increases during the five-year term.

The revenue generated by the Public Library's special tax is used to increase service levels in 44 libraries serving the areas subject to the special tax. The special tax is levied as a flat-rate per-parcel charge, and is subject to an annual CPI adjustment. The special tax generates approximately \$12.4 million each year to support library services in the communities subject to the special tax. Approval of the recommended action is necessary to process the annual levy for the tax bills and collection of this revenue.

The administrative costs of the Special Tax Program, including the cost of providing this recommended service contract, are financed by the special tax revenue. There is no net County cost for this contracted service.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The proposed contract with Harris complies with the criteria for sole source contracts. The required Sole Source Checklist (Attachment I) is attached and has been approved by the Chief Executive Office.

Your Board is authorized to approve this contract pursuant to Government Code Section 31000. The recommended contract with Harris is for a period of five years with month-to-month extensions, not to exceed a total of six (6) months.

On May 13, 2003, your Board awarded a sole source contract to Harris at an estimated annual amount of \$25,000 for a term of five years. Prior to the approval of the existing contract, the Public Library obtained special tax administration services from Harris under a sole source purchase order since 1999.

The Library has determined that the Living Wage program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to the proposed contract. Upon final analysis and consideration of award, Harris was selected without regard to race, gender, color or creed.

The proposed contract includes all currently required contracting provisions and has been properly executed by the vendor. County Counsel has reviewed and approved the proposed contract as to form.

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# **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Since this is a sole source contract, no competitive bid is required. The proposed contract will replace the existing sole source agreement with the same vendor. The provisions of the new contract are consistent with the existing agreement that was approved by the Board on May 13, 2003.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Collection of the Public Library's special tax provides necessary funds to finance the continuation of increased service levels in 44 libraries serving the areas subject to the special tax. Award of this service contract will allow the Public Library to continue the ongoing successful administration of the Public Library's Special Tax Program.

## CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted stamped copy of this letter to the Public Library and one to County Counsel, Social Services Division. In addition, please return to the Public Library two fully conformed copies of the Contract with original signatures.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: County Counsel Auditor-Controller Public Library

# **ATTACHMENT I**

# SOLE SOURCE CHECKLIST SPECIAL TAX ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

Check	JUSTIFICATION FOR SOLE SOURCE CONTRACTS
( ✓)	Identify applicable justification and provide documentation for each checked item.
	Only one bona fide source for the service exists; performance and price competition are not available.
	Quick action is required (emergency situation).
	Proposals have been solicited but no satisfactory proposals were received.
	Additional services are needed to complete an ongoing task and it would be prohibitively costly in time and money to seek a new service provider.
	Maintenance service agreements exist on equipment which must be serviced by the authorized manufacturer's service representatives.
	It is more cost-effective to obtain services by exercising an option under an existing contract.
✓	It is in the best interest of the County, e.g., administrative cost savings, excessive learning curve for a new service provider, etc.
	> Other reason. Please explain:
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Deputy Chief	Executive Officer, CEO Date



# CONTRACT

BY AND BETWEEN

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** 

AND

HARRIS & ASSOCIATES

FOR

SPECIAL TAX ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

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# CONTRACT BETWEEN COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND

# HARRIS & ASSOCIATES

#### FOR

### SPECIAL TAX ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

This Contract and Exhibits made and entered into this 22 day of APRIL 2008 by and between the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as County, and Harris & Associates, hereinafter referred to as Contractor. Harris & Associates is located at 34 Executive Park, Suite 150, Irvine, CA 92614.

### RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County may contract with private businesses for Special Tax Administration Services when certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor is a private firm specializing in providing Special Tax Administration Services; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein, and for good and valuable consideration, the parties agree to the following:

### 1.0 APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I and J are attached to and form a part of this Contract. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the definition or interpretation of any word, responsibility, schedule, or the contents or description of any task, deliverable, goods, service, or other work, or otherwise between the base Contract and the Exhibits, or between Exhibits, such conflict or inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence first to the Contract and then to the Exhibits according to the following priority.

#### Standard Exhibits:

- 1.1 EXHIBIT A Statement of Work
- 1.2 EXHIBIT B Pricing Schedule
- 1.3 EXHIBIT C Contractor's EEO Certification
- 1.4 EXHIBIT D County's Administration
- 1.5 EXHIBIT E Contractor's Administration
- 1.6 EXHIBIT F Forms Required at the Time of Contract Execution
- 1.7 EXHIBIT G Jury Service Ordinance
- 1.8 EXHIBIT H Safely Surrendered Baby Law

### **Unique Exhibits:**

- 1.9 EXHIBIT I Forms Required at Completion of Contracts Involving
  Intellectual Property Developed/Designed by the
  Contractor
- 1.10 EXHIBIT J Contractor's Obligations as a "Business Associate" Under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)

#### 2.0 DEFINITIONS

The headings herein contained are for convenience and reference only and are not intended to define the scope of any provision thereof. The following words as used herein shall be construed to have the following meaning, unless otherwise apparent from the context in which they are used.

- 2.1 **Contract:** Agreement executed between the County and the Contractor. It sets forth the terms and conditions for the issuance and performance of *Exhibit A Statement of Work*.
- 2.2 **Contractor:** The sole proprietor, partnership, or corporation that has entered into a contract with the County to perform or execute the work covered by *Exhibit A Statement of Work*.
- 2.3 **Contract Project Manager:** The individual designated by the Contractor to administer the Contract operations after the Contract award.
- 2.4 **County:** Los Angeles County Department of Public Library.

- 2.5 **County Contract Project Director:** The individual designated by the County with authority for the County on contractual or administrative matters relating to this Contract that cannot be resolved by the County Contract Project Manager.
- 2.6 County Contract Project Manager: The individual designated by the County Contract Project Director to manage the operations under this Contract and oversee the day-to-day activities of this Contract. This person is responsible for inspections of any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services and other work provided by the Contractor.
- 2.7 **County Librarian:** Director of Los Angeles County Department of Public Library.
- 2.8 **Day(s):** Calendar day(s) unless otherwise specified.
- 2.9 **Fiscal Year:** The twelve (12) month period beginning July 1st and ending the following June 30th.
- 2.10 **Library:** Los Angeles County Department of Public Library.

### **3.0 WORK**

- 3.1 Pursuant to the provisions of this Contract, the Contractor shall fully perform, complete and deliver on time, all tasks, deliverables, services and other work as set forth in herein.
- 3.2 If the Contractor provides any tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work, other than as specified in this Contract, the same shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of the Contractor, and the Contractor shall have no claim whatsoever against the County.

#### 4.0 TERM OF CONTRACT

- 4.1 The term of this Contract shall be five (5) years commencing after execution by the County Board of Supervisors (Board), unless sooner terminated or extended, in whole or in part, as provided in this Contract.
- 4.2 The County shall have the sole option to extend this Contract term for up to six (6) month to month extensions for a maximum total

Contract term of five (5) years and six (6) months. Each such extensions shall be exercised at the sole discretion of the County Librarian or his/her designee as authorized by the Board.

4.3 The Contractor shall notify the Library when this Contract is within six (6) months from the expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Library at the address herein provided in *Exhibit D - County's Administration*.

#### 5.0 CONTRACT SUM

The anticipated annual Contract Sum is \$25,000 for both the routine work required to process the annual levy for the tax bills and optional additional services for customized work to address specialized questions and program requirements. In addition, periodic database audits will be conducted at a lump sum cost of \$16,500 each.

- 5.1 The Contract Sum under the terms of this Contract shall be the total monetary amount payable by the County to the Contractor each contract year for the provision of Special Tax Administration Services specified herein in accordance with *Exhibit B Pricing Schedule*.
- 5.2 The Contractor shall not be entitled to payment or reimbursement for any tasks or services performed, nor for any incidental or administrative expenses whatsoever incurred in or incidental to performance hereunder, except as specified herein. Assumption or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, or obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever, shall occur only with the County's express prior written approval.
- 5.3 The Contractor shall maintain a system of record keeping that will allow the Contractor to determine when it has incurred seventy-five

percent (75%) of the total contract authorization under this Contract. Upon occurrence of this event, the Contractor shall send written notification to the Library at the address herein provided in *Exhibit D - County's Administration*.

# 5.4 No Payment for Services Provided Following Expiration/ Termination of Contract

The Contractor shall have no claim against the County for payment of any money or reimbursement, of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by the Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Contract. Should the Contractor receive any such payment it shall immediately notify the County and shall immediately repay all such funds to the County. Payment by the County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Contract shall not constitute a waiver of the County's right to recover such payment from the Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or other termination of this Contract.

# 5.5 Invoices and Payments

- 5.5.1 The Contractor shall invoice the County only for providing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work specified in *Exhibit A Statement of Work* and elsewhere hereunder. The Contractor shall prepare invoices, which shall include the charges owed to the Contractor by the County under the terms of this Contract. The Contractor's payments shall be as provided in *Exhibit B Pricing Schedule*, and the Contractor shall be paid only for the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, and other work approved in writing by the County. If the County does not approve work in writing no payment shall be due to the Contractor for that work.
- 5.5.2 The Contractor's invoices shall be priced in accordance with Exhibit B - Pricing Schedule.

- 5.5.3 The Contractor's invoices shall contain the information set forth in *Exhibit A Statement of Work* describing the tasks, deliverables, goods, services, work hours, and facility and/or other work for which payment is claimed.
- 5.5.4 The Contractor shall submit the invoices to the County by the 15<sup>th</sup> calendar day of the month following the month of service.
- 5.5.5 All invoices under this Contract shall be submitted in two (2) copies to the following address:

Los Angeles County
Department of Public Library
Staff Services Section
County Contract Project Manager
7400 East Imperial Highway, Room 221
Downey, CA 90242

- 5.5.6 **County Approval of Invoices.** All invoices submitted by the Contractor for payment must have the written approval of the County Contract Project Director prior to any payment thereof. In no event shall the County be liable or responsible for any payment prior to such written approval. Approval for payment will not be unreasonably withheld.
- 5.5.7 Local Small Business Enterprises Prompt Payment Program (if applicable)

Certified Local SBEs will receive prompt payment for services they provide to County departments. Prompt payment is defined as 15 calendar days after receipt of an undisputed invoice.

# 6.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - COUNTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

A listing of all County Administration referenced in the following subparagraphs are designated in *Exhibit D - County's Administration*. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any change in the names or addresses shown.

# 6.1 County Contract Project Director

The responsibilities of the County Contract Project Director include:

- ensuring that the objectives of this Contract are met;
- authorizing the Contractor to proceed with finalizing the Special Tax roll.
- requesting and approving optional additional services in accordance with section 2.4 of Exhibit A – Statement of Work;
- approving all invoices submitted by the Contractor for this Contract;
- providing direction to the Contractor in the areas relating to County policy, information requirements, and procedural requirements.

# 6.2 County Contract Project Manager

The responsibilities of the County Contract Project Manager include:

- meeting with the Contract Project Manager on a regular basis;
   and
- inspecting any and all tasks, deliverables, goods, services, or other work provided by or on behalf of the Contractor;
- overseeing the day-to-day administration of this Contract.

The County Contract Project Manager is not authorized to make any changes in any of the terms and conditions of this Contract and is not authorized to further obligate the County in any respect whatsoever.

# 7.0 ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT - CONTRACTOR

# 7.1 Contract Project Manager

7.1.1 The Contract Project Manager is designated in *Exhibit E* - *Contractor's Administration*. The Contractor shall notify the

- County in writing of any change in the name or address of the Contract Project Manager.
- 7.1.2 The Contract Project Manager shall be responsible for the Contractor's day-to-day activities as related to this Contract and shall coordinate with the County Contract Project Manager on a regular basis.

# 7.2 Approval of Contractor's Employees

7.2.1 The County has the absolute right to approve or disapprove all of the Contractor's employees performing work hereunder and any proposed changes in the Contractor's employee, including, but not limited to the Contract Project Manager.

# 7.3 Employee Criminal Record

No personnel employed by the Contractor and providing the services herein shall have a criminal conviction record or pending criminal trial for bribery, fraud, receiving stolen property, robbery, embezzlement, theft or forgery, unless such record has been disclosed and employment of the employee for this service has been approved in writing by the County.

# 7.4 Background and Security Investigations

7.4.1 At any time prior to or during term of this Contract, the County may require that all Contractor's employees performing work under this Contract undergo and pass, to the satisfaction of the County, a background investigation, as a condition of beginning and continuing to work under this Contract. The County shall use its discretion in determining the method of background clearance to be used, up to and including a County performed fingerprint security clearance. The fees associated with obtaining the background information shall be at the expense of the Contractor, regardless if the Contractor's employee passes or fails the

- background clearance investigation.
- 7.4.2 The County may request that the Contractor's employees be immediately removed from working on the County Contract at any time during the term of this Contract. The County will not provide to the Contractor nor to the Contractor's employees any information obtained through the County conducted background clearance.
- 7.4.3 The County may immediately, at the sole discretion of the County, deny or terminate facility access to the Contractor's employees who do not pass such investigation(s) to the satisfaction of the County whose background or conduct is incompatible with the County.
- 7.4.4 Disqualification, if any, of the Contractor's, employees pursuant to this sub-paragraph 7.4, shall not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to complete all work in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

# 7.5 Confidentiality

- 7.5.1 The Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records obtained from the County under this Contract in accordance with all applicable Federal, State or local laws, ordinances, regulations and directives relating to confidentiality.
- 7.5.2 The Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, agents and subcontractors providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Contract.
- 7.5.3 The Contractor shall sign and adhere to the provisions of Exhibit F1 - Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.
- 7.5.4 The Contractor shall cause each employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the

- provisions of Exhibit F2 Contractor Employee Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement.
- 7.5.5 The Contractor shall cause each non-employee performing services covered by this Contract to sign and adhere to the provisions of *Exhibit F3 Contractor Non-Employee*Acknowledgment and Confidentiality Agreement.

# 8.0 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 8.1 AMENDMENTS

- 8.1.1 For any change which affects the scope of work, term, Contract Sum, payments, or any term or condition included under this Contract, an Amendment shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the County Librarian or his/her designee.
- 8.1.2 The Board or Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee may require the addition and/or change of certain terms and conditions in the Contract during the term of this Contract. The County reserves the right to add and/or change such provisions as required by the Board or CEO. To implement such changes, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the County Librarian or his/her designee.
- 8.1.3 The County Librarian or his/her designee, may at his/her sole discretion, authorize extensions of time as defined in Paragraph 4.0 Term of Contract. The Contractor agrees that such extensions of time shall not change any other term or condition of this Contract during the period of such extensions. To implement an extension of time, an Amendment to the Contract shall be prepared and executed by the Contractor and by the County Librarian or his/her designee.

#### 8.2 ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION

- 8.2.1 The Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Contract, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of the County, in its discretion, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this sub-paragraph, the County consent shall require a written amendment to the Contract, which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any payments by the County to any approved delegate or assignee on any claim under this Contract shall be deductible, at the County's sole discretion, against the claims, which the Contractor may have against the County.
- 8.2.2 Shareholders, partners, members, or other equity holders of the Contractor may transfer, sell, exchange, assign, or divest themselves of any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, transfer, exchange, assignment, or divestment is effected in such a way as to give majority control of the Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership, or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of the Contract, such disposition is an assignment requiring the prior written consent of the County in accordance with applicable provisions of this Contract.
- 8.2.3 If any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without the County's express prior written approval, shall be a material

breach of the Contract which may result in the termination of this Contract. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.

#### 8.3 AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY

The Contractor represents and warrants that the person executing this Contract for the Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind the Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation of this Contract and that all requirements of the Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

#### 8.4 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

In the event that the Board adopts, in any fiscal year, a County Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of County employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to County Contracts, the County reserves the right to reduce its payment obligation under this Contract correspondingly for that fiscal year and any subsequent fiscal year during the term of this Contract (including any extensions), and the services to be provided by the Contractor under this Contract shall also be reduced correspondingly. The County's notice to the Contractor regarding said reduction in payment obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) calendar days of the Board's approval of such actions. Except as set forth in the preceding sentence, the Contractor shall continue to provide all of the services set forth in this Contract.

#### 8.5 COMPLAINTS

The Contractor shall develop, maintain and operate procedures for receiving, investigating and responding to complaints.

8.5.1 Within thirty (30) business days after the Contract's effective date, the Contractor shall provide the County with the

- Contractor's policy for receiving, investigating and responding to user complaints.
- 8.5.2 The County will review the Contractor's policy and provide the Contractor with approval of said plan or with requested changes.
- 8.5.3 If the County requests changes in the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall make such changes and resubmit the plan within five (5) business days for County approval.
- 8.5.4 If, at any time, the Contractor wishes to change the Contractor's policy, the Contractor shall submit proposed changes to the County for approval before implementation.
- 8.5.5 The Contractor shall preliminarily investigate all complaints and notify the County Contract Project Manager of the status of the investigation within five (5) business days of receiving the complaint.
- 8.5.6 When complaints cannot be resolved informally, a system of follow-through shall be instituted which adheres to formal plans for specific actions and strict time deadlines.
- 8.5.7 Copies of all written responses shall be sent to the County Contract Project Manager within three (3) business days of mailing to the complainant.

#### 8.6 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW

- 8.6.1 The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, and directives, and all provisions required thereby to be included in this Contract are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
- 8.6.2 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, arising from or related to any violation on the part of the Contractor or its employees,

agents, or subcontractors of any such laws, rules, regulations, ordinances, or directives.

#### 8.7 COMPLIANCE WITH CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS

The Contractor hereby assures that it will comply with Subchapter VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 USC Sections 2000 (e) (1) through 2000 (e) (17), to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, creed, color, sex, religion, ancestry, age, condition of physical handicap, marital status, political affiliation, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract. The Contractor shall comply with *Exhibit C - Contractor's EEO Certification*.

# 8.8 COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY'S JURY SERVICE PROGRAM

# 8.8.1 Jury Service Program:

This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached as *Exhibit G - Jury Service Ordinance* and incorporated by reference into and made a part of this Contract.

# 8.8.2 Written Employee Jury Service Policy.

1. Unless the Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that the Contractor is not a "Contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that the Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), the Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its Employees shall receive from the Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that Employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the Contractor or that the Contractor deduct from the Employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

For purposes of this sub-paragraph, "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the County or a subcontract with a County Contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or "Employee" means any California subcontracts. resident who is a full-time employee of the Contractor. "Full-time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if: 1) the lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the County, or 2) the Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as fulltime. Full-time employees providing short-term, temporary services of 90 days or less within a 12-month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the If the Contractor uses any Jury Service Program. Subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the Subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this sub-paragraph. The provisions of this sub-paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.

- 3. If the Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program when the Contract commences, the Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Service Program, and the Contractor shall immediately notify the County if the Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" or if the Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, the Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. The County may also require, at any time during the Contract and at its sole discretion, that the Contractor demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that the Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that the Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program.
- 4. The Contractor's violation of this sub-paragraph of the Contract may constitute a material breach of the Contract. In the event of such material breach, the County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract and/or bar the Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

#### 8.9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

8.9.1 No County employee whose position with the County enables such employee to influence the award of this Contract or any competing Contract, and no spouse or economic dependent of such employee, shall be employed in any capacity by the Contractor or have any other direct or

indirect financial interest in this Contract. No officer or employee of the Contractor who may financially benefit from the performance of work hereunder shall in any way participate in the County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such work, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence the County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such work.

8.9.2 The Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Contract. The Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts that create a conflict of interest. If the Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts that might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to the County. Full written disclosure shall include, but is not limited to, identification of all persons implicated and a complete description of all relevant circumstances. Failure to comply with the provisions of this sub-paragraph shall be a material breach of this Contract.

# 8.10 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TARGETED FOR LAYOFF/OR RE-EMPLOYMENT LIST

Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract to perform the services set forth herein, the Contractor shall give first consideration for such employment openings to qualified, permanent County employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified, former County employees who are on a re-employment list during the life of this Contract.

# 8.11 CONSIDERATION OF HIRING GAIN/GROW PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

8.11.1 Should the Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Contract, the

Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's Department of Public Social Services Greater Avenues for Independence (GAIN) Program or General Relief Opportunity for Work (GROW) Program who meet the Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that the Contractor will interview qualified candidates. The County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor.

8.11.2 In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

#### 8.12 CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT

### 8.12.1 Responsible Contractor

A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible Contractors.

### 8.12.2 Chapter 2.202 of the County Code

The Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if the County acquires information concerning the performance of the Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that the Contractor is not responsible, the County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the Contract, debar the Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years but may exceed five (5) years or be permanent if

warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing Contracts the Contractor may have with the County.

### 8.12.3 Non-responsible Contractor

The County may debar a Contractor if the Board finds, in its discretion, that the Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with the County or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on the Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with the County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by the County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against the County or any other public entity.

### 8.12.4 Contractor Hearing Board

- If there is evidence that the Contractor may be subject to debarment, the County will notify the Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise the Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 2. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. The Contractor and/or the Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a

- recommendation regarding whether the Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. The Contractor and the County shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board.
- 3. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.
- 4. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that the Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of the County.
- The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where
   the Contractor has been debarred for a period

longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of debarment. and includes supporting the documentation. Upon receiving an appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

6. The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board. The Board shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board.

#### 8.12.5 Subcontractors of Contractor

These terms shall also apply to Subcontractors of the Contractors.

# 8.13 CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used. Information on how to receive the poster can be found on the Internet at <a href="https://www.babysafela.org">www.babysafela.org</a>.

# 8.14 CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

- 8.14.1 The Contractor acknowledges that the County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from the County through the Contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon the County and its taxpayers.
- 8.14.2 As required by the County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting the Contractor's duty under this Contract to comply with all applicable provisions of law, the Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Contract maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act (42 USC Section 653a) and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.5, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246(b).

#### 8.15 COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The County or its agent will evaluate the Contractor's performance under this Contract on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing the Contractor's compliance with all Contract terms and conditions and performance standards. The Contractor deficiencies which the County determines as severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Contract in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the Board. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by the County and the Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, the County may terminate this Contract or impose other penalties as specified in this Contract.

# 8.16 DAMAGE TO COUNTY FACILITIES, BUILDINGS OR GROUNDS

- 8.16.1 The Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any and all damage to County facilities, buildings, or grounds caused by the Contractor or employees or agents of the Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after the Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event later than thirty (30) calendar days after the occurrence.
- 8.16.2 If the Contractor fails to make timely repairs, the County may make any necessary repairs. All costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such repairs shall be repaid by the Contractor by cash payment upon demand.

#### 8.17 EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION

8.17.1 The Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal and State statutes and regulations regarding the employment of aliens and others and that all its employees performing work under this Contract meet the citizenship or alien status requirements set forth in Federal and State

statutes and regulations. The Contractor shall obtain, from all employees performing work hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal and State statutes and regulations including, but not limited to, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, (P.L. 99-603), or as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. The Contractor shall retain all such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law.

8.17.2 The Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless, the County, its agents, officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against the Contractor or the County or both in connection with any alleged violation of any Federal or State statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of any persons performing work under this Contract.

#### 8.18 FACSIMILE REPRESENTATIONS

The County and the Contractor hereby agree to regard facsimile representations of original signatures of authorized officers of each party, when appearing in appropriate places on the Amendments prepared pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.1 - Amendments, and received via communications facilities, as legally sufficient evidence that such original signatures have been affixed to Amendments to this Contract, such that the parties need not follow up facsimile transmissions of such documents with subsequent (non-facsimile) transmission of "original" versions of such documents.

#### 8.19 FAIR LABOR STANDARDS

The Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers, and employees from any and all liability, including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law, including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, for work performed by the Contractor's employees for which the County may be found jointly or solely liable.

#### 8.20 FORCE MAJEURE

- Neither party shall be liable for such party's failure to 8.20.1 perform its obligations under and in accordance with this Contract, if such failure arises out of fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions. other natural occurrences, strikes, lockouts (other than a lockout by such party or any of such party's subcontractors), freight embargoes, or other similar events to those described above, but in every such case the failure to perform must be totally beyond the control and without any fault or negligence of such party (such events are referred to in this sub-paragraph as "force majeure events").
- 8.20.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a default by a subcontractor of the Contractor shall not constitute a force majeure event, unless such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the Contractor and such subcontractor, and without any fault or negligence of either of them. In such case, the Contractor shall not be liable for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph, the term "subcontractor" and "subcontractors" mean subcontractors at any tier.

8.20.3 In the event the Contractor's failure to perform arises out of a force majeure event, the Contractor agrees to use commercially reasonable best efforts to obtain goods or services from other sources, if applicable, and to otherwise mitigate the damages and reduce the delay caused by such force majeure event.

# 8.21 GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE

This Contract shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. The Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Contract and further agrees and consents that venue of any action brought hereunder shall be exclusively in the County of Los Angeles.

#### 8.22 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS

- 8.22.1 This Contract is by and between the County and the Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between the County and the Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.
- 8.22.2 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract all compensation and benefits. The County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State, or local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes for any personnel provided by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- 8.22.3 The Contractor understands and agrees that all persons performing work pursuant to this Contract are, for purposes

of Workers' Compensation liability, solely employees of the Contractor and not employees of the County. The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for furnishing any and all Workers' Compensation benefits to any person as a result of any injuries arising from or connected with any work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor pursuant to this Contract.

8.22.4 The Contractor shall adhere to the provisions stated in subparagraph 7.5 - *Confidentiality*.

#### 8.23 INDEMNIFICATION

The Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with the Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Contract.

#### 8.24 GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

Without limiting the Contractor's indemnification of the County and during the term of this Contract, the Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its Subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Contract. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by the County. Such coverage shall be provided and maintained at the Contractor's own expense.

**8.24.1 Evidence of Insurance:** Certificate(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to the County shall be delivered to:

Los Angeles County

Department of Public Library

Staff Services Section

County Contract Project Manager 7400 East Imperial Highway, Room 221 Downey, CA 90242

prior to commencing services under this Contract. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

- Specifically identify this Contract;
- Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Contract;
- Contain the express condition that the County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance;
- Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding the County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Contract; and
- Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for the County's approval. The County retains the right to require the Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to the County, or, require the Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expenses or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.
- **8.24.2** Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to the County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII unless otherwise approved by the County.

8.24.3 Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by the Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to the County, shall constitute a material breach of the Contract upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Contract. The County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from the Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, the County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to the Contractor, the County may deduct from sums due to the Contractor any premium costs advanced by the County for such insurance.

# 8.24.4 Notification of Incidents, Claims or Suits: Contractor shall report to the County:

- Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Contract which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against the Contractor and/or the County. Such report shall be made in writing within 24 hours of occurrence.
- Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against the Contractor arising from or related to services performed by the Contractor under this Contract.
- Any injury to a Contractor employee that occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-employee Injury Report" to the County Contract Project Manager.
- Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies or securities entrusted to the Contractor under the terms of this Contract.

8.24.5 Compensation for County Costs: In the event that the Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Contract, and such failure to comply results in any costs to the County, the Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by the County.

#### 8.24.6 **Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors:**

The Contractor shall ensure any and all Subcontractors performing services under this Contract meet the insurance requirements of this Contract by either:

- The Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of Subcontractors, or
- The Contractor providing evidence submitted Subcontractors evidencing that Subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. The County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of the Subcontractor's insurance coverage at any time.

#### **INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS** 8.25

General Liability insurance written on ISO policy form CG 8.25.1 00 01 or its equivalent with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:

\$2 million

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate: \$1 million

Personal and Advertising Injury:

\$1 million

Each Occurrence:

\$1 million

**8.25.2** Automobile Liability written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent with a limit of liability of not less than \$1 million for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles. or coverage for "any auto".

8.25.3 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance providing workers' compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which the Contractor is responsible. If the Contractor's employees will be engaged in maritime employment, coverage shall provide workers' compensation benefits as required by the U.S. Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Jones Act or any other federal law for which the Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident:

\$1 million

Disease - policy limit:

\$1 million

Disease - each employee:

\$1 million

#### 8.26 LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

8.26.1 If, in the judgment of the County Librarian or his/her designee, the Contractor is deemed to be non-compliant with the terms and obligations assumed hereby, the County Librarian or his/her designee, at his/her option, in addition to, or in lieu of, other remedies provided herein, may withhold the entire monthly payment or deduct pro rata from the Contractor's invoice for work not performed. A description of the work not performed and the amount to be withheld or deducted from payments to the Contractor from the County, will be forwarded to the Contractor by the County Librarian or his/her designee, in a written notice describing the reasons for said action.

8.26.2 If the County Librarian or his/her designee, determines that there are deficiencies in the performance of this Contract that the County Librarian or his/her designee, deems are

correctable by the Contractor over a certain time span, the County Librarian or his/her designee, will provide a written notice to the Contractor to correct the deficiency within specified time frames. Should the Contractor fail to correct deficiencies within said time frame, the County Librarian or his/her designee, may:

- (a) Deduct from the Contractor's payment, pro rata, those applicable portions of the Contract Sum; and/or
- (b) Deduct liquidated damages. The parties agree that it will be impracticable or extremely difficult to fix the extent of actual damages resulting from the failure of the Contractor to correct a deficiency within the specified time frame. The parties hereby agree that under the current circumstances a reasonable estimate of such damages is One Hundred Dollars (\$100) per day per infraction, and that the Contractor shall be liable to the County for liquidated damages in said amount. Said amount shall be deducted from the County's payment to the Contractor; and/or
- (c) Upon giving five (5) days notice to the Contractor for failure to correct the deficiencies, the County may correct any and all deficiencies and the total costs incurred by the County for completion of the work by an alternate source, whether it be County forces or separate private contractor, will be deducted and forfeited from the payment to the Contractor from the County, as determined by the County.
- 8.26.3 The action noted in sub-paragraph 8.26.2 shall not be construed as a penalty, but as adjustment of payment to the Contractor to recover the County cost due to the failure of the Contractor to complete or comply with the provisions of this Contract.

8.26.4 This sub-paragraph shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to damages for any breach of this Contract provided by law or sub-paragraph 8.26.2, and shall not, in any manner, restrict or limit the County's right to terminate this Contract as agreed to herein.

#### 8.27 MOST FAVORED PUBLIC ENTITY

If the Contractor's prices decline, or should the Contractor at any time during the term of this Contract provide the same goods or services under similar quantity and delivery conditions to the State of California or any county, municipality, or district of the State at prices below those set forth in this Contract, then such lower prices shall be immediately extended to the County.

#### 8.28 NONDISCRIMINATION AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

- 8.28.1 The Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and shall be treated equally without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations.
- 8.28.2 The Contractor shall certify to, and comply with, the provisions of *Exhibit C Contractor's EEO Certification*.
- 8.28.3 The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, in compliance with all applicable Federal and State anti-discrimination laws and regulations. Such action shall include, but is not limited to: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay

- or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.
- 8.28.4 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it will deal with its subcontractors, bidders, or vendors without regard to or because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation.
- 8.28.5 The Contractor certifies and agrees that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies shall comply with all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations to the end that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, physical or mental disability, marital status, or political affiliation, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under this Contract or under any project, program, or activity supported by this Contract.
- 8.28.6 The Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the Contractor's employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.28 when so requested by the County.
- 8.28.7 If the County finds that any provisions of this subparagraph 8.28 have been violated, such violation shall
  constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which
  the County may terminate or suspend this Contract. While
  the County reserves the right to determine independently
  that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract have
  been violated, in addition, a determination by the California
  Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal
  Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that the
  Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination

laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by the County that the Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract.

8.28.8 The parties agree that in the event the Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the County shall, at its sole option, be entitled to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for each such violation pursuant to California Civil Code Section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Contract.

#### 8.29 NON EXCLUSIVITY

Nothing herein is intended nor shall be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement with the Contractor. This Contract shall not restrict the Library from acquiring similar, equal or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.

#### 8.30 NOTICE OF DELAYS

Except as otherwise provided under this Contract, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Contract, that party shall, within one (1) business day, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

#### 8.31 NOTICE OF DISPUTES

The Contractor shall bring to the attention of the County Contract Project Manager and/or County Contract Project Director any dispute between the County and the Contractor regarding the performance of services as stated in this Contract. If the County Contract Project Manager or County Contract Project Director is not able to resolve the dispute, the County Librarian or his/her designee shall resolve it.

### 8.32 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT

The Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice No. 1015.

### 8.33 NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each Subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is set forth in *Exhibit H – Safely Surrender Baby Law* of this Contract and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

#### 8.34 NOTICES

All notices or demands required or permitted to be given or made under this Contract shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered with signed receipt or mailed by first-class registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the parties as identified in *Exhibits D* - *County's Administration and E - Contractor's Administration*. Addresses may be changed by either party giving ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to the other party. The County Librarian or his/her designee shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Contract.

#### 8.35 PROHIBITION AGAINST INDUCEMENT OR PERSUASION

Notwithstanding the above, the Contractor and the County agree that, during the term of this Contract and for a period of one year thereafter, neither party shall in any way intentionally induce or persuade any employee of one party to become an employee or agent of the other party. No bar exists against any hiring action initiated through a public announcement.

#### 8.36 PUBLIC RECORDS ACT

- 8.36.1 Any documents submitted by the Contractor; all information obtained in connection with the County's right to audit and inspect the Contractor's documents, books, and accounting records pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.38 - Record Retention and Inspection/Audit Settlement of this Contract; as well as those documents which were required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposals (RFP) used in the solicitation process for this Contract, become the exclusive property of the County. All such documents become a matter of public record and shall be regarded as public records. Exceptions will be those elements in the California Government Code Section 6250 et seq. (Public Records Act) and which are marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary". The County shall not in any way be liable or responsible for the disclosure of any such records including, without limitation, those so marked, if disclosure is required by law, or by an order issued by a court of competent iurisdiction.
- 8.36.2 In the event the County is required to defend an action on a Public Records Act request for any of the aforementioned documents, information, books, records, and/or contents of a proposal marked "trade secret", "confidential", or "proprietary", the Contractor agrees to defend and indemnify the County from all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, in action or liability arising under the Public Records Act.

#### 8.37 PUBLICITY

8.37.1 The Contractor shall not disclose any details in connection with this Contract to any person or entity except as may be otherwise provided hereunder or required by law. However,

in recognizing the Contractor's need to identify its services and related clients to sustain itself, the County shall not inhibit the Contractor from publishing its role under this Contract within the following conditions:

- The Contractor shall develop all publicity material in a professional manner; and
- During the term of this Contract, the Contractor shall not, and shall not authorize another to publish or disseminate any commercial advertisements, press releases, feature articles, or other materials using the name of the County without the prior written consent of the County Contract Project Director. The County shall not unreasonably withhold written consent.
- 8.37.2 The Contractor may, without the prior written consent of the County, indicate in its proposals and sales materials that it has been awarded this Contract with the County of Los Angeles, provided that the requirements of this subparagraph 8.37 shall apply.

#### 8.38 RECORD RETENTION AND INSPECTION/AUDIT SETTLEMENT

The Contractor shall maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations relating to this Contract in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete employment and other records relating to its performance of this Contract. The Contractor agrees that the County, or its authorized representatives, shall have access to and the right to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe any pertinent transaction, activity, or record relating to this Contract. All such material, including, but not limited to, all financial records, bank statements, cancelled checks or other proof of payment, timecards, sign-in/sign-out sheets and other time and employment records, and proprietary data and information, shall be

kept and maintained by the Contractor and shall be made available to the County during the term of this Contract and for a period of five (5) years thereafter unless the County's written permission is given to dispose of any such material prior to such time. All such material shall be maintained by the Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County, provided that if any such material is located outside Los Angeles County, then, at the County's option, the Contractor shall pay the County for travel, per diem, and other costs incurred by the County to examine, audit, excerpt, copy, or transcribe such material at such other location.

- 8.38.1 In the event that an audit of the Contractor is conducted specifically regarding this Contract by any Federal or State auditor, or by any auditor or accountant employed by the Contractor or otherwise, then the Contractor shall file a copy of such audit report with the County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) days of the Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided by applicable Federal or State law or under this Contract. Subject to applicable law, the County shall make a reasonable effort to maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s).
- 8.38.2 Failure on the part of the Contractor to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.38 shall constitute a material breach of this Contract upon which the County may terminate or suspend this Contract.
- 8.38.3 If, at any time during the term of this Contract or within five (5) years after the expiration or termination of this Contract, representatives of the County conduct an audit of the Contractor regarding the work performed under this Contract, and if such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for any such work is less than payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be

either: a) repaid by the Contractor to the County by cash payment upon demand or b) at the sole option of the County's Auditor-Controller, deducted from any amounts due to the Contractor from the County, whether under this Contract or otherwise. If such audit finds that the County's dollar liability for such work is more than the payments made by the County to the Contractor, then the difference shall be paid to the Contractor by the County by cash payment, provided that in no event shall the County's maximum obligation for this Contract exceed the funds appropriated by the County for the purpose of this Contract.

#### 8.39 RECYCLED BOND PAPER

Consistent with the Board's policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at the County landfills, the Contractor agrees to use recycled-content paper to the maximum extent possible on this Contract.

#### 8.40 SUBCONTRACTING

- 8.40.1 The requirements of this Contract may not be subcontracted by the Contractor without the advance approval of the County. Any attempt by the Contractor to subcontract without the prior consent of the County may be deemed a material breach of this Contract.
- 8.40.2 If the Contractor desires to subcontract, the Contractor shall provide the following information promptly at the County's request:
  - A description of the work to be performed by the Subcontractor;
  - A draft copy of the proposed subcontract; and
  - Other pertinent information and/or certifications requested by the County.

- 8.40.3 The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the County harmless with respect to the activities of each and every Subcontractor in the same manner and to the same degree as if such Subcontractor(s) were the Contractor employees.
- 8.40.4 The Contractor shall remain fully responsible for all performances required of it under this Contract, including those that the Contractor has determined to subcontract, notwithstanding the County's approval of the Contractor's proposed subcontract.
- 8.40.5 The County's consent to subcontract shall not waive the County's right to prior and continuing approval of any and all personnel, including Subcontractor employees, providing services under this Contract. The Contractor is responsible to notify its Subcontractors of this County right.
- 8.40.6 The County Contract Project Director is authorized to act for and on behalf of the County with respect to approval of any subcontract and Subcontractor employees. After approval of the subcontract by the County, the Contractor shall forward a fully executed subcontract to the County for their files.
- 8.40.7 The Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for all payments or other compensation to all Subcontractors and their officers, employees, agents, and successors in interest arising through services performed hereunder, notwithstanding the County's consent to subcontract.
- 8.40.8 The Contractor shall obtain certificates of insurance, which establish that the Subcontractor maintains all the programs of insurance required by the County from each approved Subcontractor. The Contractor shall ensure delivery of all such documents to:

Los Angeles County
Department of Public Library
Staff Services Section
County Contract Project Manager
7400 E. Imperial Highway, Room 221
Downey, CA 90242

before any Subcontractor employee may perform any work hereunder.

# 8.41 TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

Failure of the Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in sub-paragraph 8.14 - Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program, shall constitute default under this Contract. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to the County under any other provision of this Contract, failure of the Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which the County may terminate this Contract pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.43 - Termination for Default and pursue debarment of the Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

#### 8.42 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

8.42.1 This Contract may be terminated, in whole or in part, from time to time, when such action is deemed by the County, in its sole discretion, to be in its best interest. Termination of work hereunder shall be effected by notice of termination to the Contractor specifying the extent to which performance of work is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective. The date upon which such termination becomes effective shall be no less than ten (10) days after the notice is sent.

- 8.42.2 After receipt of a notice of termination and except as otherwise directed by the County, the Contractor shall:
  - Stop work under this Contract on the date and to the extent specified in such notice, and
  - Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by such notice.
- 8.42.3 All material including books, records, documents, or other evidence bearing on the costs and expenses of the Contractor under this Contract shall be maintained by the Contractor in accordance with sub-paragraph 8.38 Record Retention & Inspection/Audit Settlement.

#### 8.43 TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT

- 8.43.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, terminate the whole or any part of this Contract, if, in the judgment of the County Contract Project Director:
  - the Contractor has materially breached this Contract; or
  - the Contractor fails to timely provide and/or satisfactorily perform any task, deliverable, service, or other work required either under this Contract; or
  - the Contractor fails to demonstrate a high probability of timely fulfillment of performance requirements under this Contract, or of any obligations of this Contract and in either case, fails to demonstrate convincing progress toward a cure within five (5) working days (or such longer period as the County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from the County specifying such failure.
- 8.43.2 In the event that the County terminates this Contract in whole or in part as provided in sub-paragraph 8.43.1, the County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as the County may deem appropriate, goods and services

similar to those so terminated. The Contractor shall be liable to the County for any and all excess costs incurred by the County, as determined by the County, for such similar goods and services. The Contractor shall continue the performance of this Contract to the extent not terminated under the provisions of this sub-paragraph.

8.43.3 Except with respect to defaults of any Subcontractor, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs of the type identified in sub-paragraph 8.43.2 if its failure to perform this Contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. Such causes may include, but are not limited to: acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the County in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of Federal or State governments in their sovereign capacities, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions. strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather; but in every case, the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the Contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a Subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes bevond the control of both the Contractor Subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the Contractor shall not be liable for any such excess costs for failure to perform, unless the goods or services to be furnished by the Subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the Contractor to meet the required performance schedule. As used in this sub-paragraph 8.43.3, the terms "Subcontractor" and "Subcontractors" mean Subcontractor(s) at any tier.

- 8.43.4 If, after the County has given notice of termination under the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.43, it is determined by the County that the Contractor was not in default under the provisions of this sub-paragraph 8.43, or that the default excusable under the provisions was of subparagraph 8.43.3, the rights and obligations of the parties shall be the same as if the notice of termination had been issued pursuant to sub-paragraph 8.42 - Termination for Convenience:
- 8.43.5 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.43 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

#### 8.44 TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

- 8.44.1 The County may, by written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate the right of the Contractor to proceed under this Contract if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing this Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of this Contract or the making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to this Contract. In the event of such termination, the County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by the Contractor.
- 8.44.2 The Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the

- employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.
- 8.44.3 Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

#### 8.45 TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY

- 8.45.1 The County may terminate this Contract forthwith in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:
  - Insolvency of the Contractor. The Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts for at least sixty (60) days in the ordinary course of business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether or not a petition has been filed under the Federal Bankruptcy Code and whether or not the Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition regarding the Contractor under the Federal Bankruptcy Code;
  - The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for the Contractor; or
  - The execution by the Contractor of a general assignment for the benefit of creditors.
- 8.45.2 The rights and remedies of the County provided in this subparagraph 8.45 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

## 8.46 TERMINATION FOR NON-ADHERENCE OF COUNTY LOBBYIST ORDINANCE

The Contractor, and each County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm as defined in County Code Section 2.160.010 retained by the Contractor, shall fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance,

County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of the Contractor or any County Lobbyist or County Lobbying firm retained by the Contractor to fully comply with the County's Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Contract, upon which the County may in its sole discretion, immediately terminate or suspend this Contract.

#### 8.47 TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County shall not be obligated for the Contractor's performance hereunder or by any provision of this Contract during any of the County's future fiscal years unless and until the Board appropriates funds for this Contract in the County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Contract, then this Contract shall terminate as of June 30 of the last fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. The County shall notify the Contractor in writing of any such non-allocation of funds at the earliest possible date.

#### 8.48 VALIDITY

If any provision of this Contract or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Contract and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

#### **8.49 WAIVER**

No waiver by the County of any breach of any provision of this Contract shall constitute a waiver of any other breach or of such provision. Failure of the County to enforce at any time, or from time to time, any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The rights and remedies set forth in this subparagraph 8.49 shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Contract.

#### 8.50 WARRANTY AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES

- 8.50.1 The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Contract upon any Contract or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business.
- 8.50.2 For breach of this warranty, the County shall have the right to terminate this Contract and, at its sole discretion, deduct from the Contract price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

#### 9.0 UNIQUE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

9.1 CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS AS A "BUSINESS ASSOCIATE" UNDER HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY & ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 (HIPAA)

The County is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). Under this Contract, the Contractor provides services to the County and the Contractor receives, has access to, and/or creates Protected Health Information as defined in *Exhibit J - Contractor's Obligations As a "Business Associate" Under Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)* in order to provide those services. The County and the Contractor therefore agree to the terms of *Exhibit J - Contractor's Obligations As a "Business Associate" Under Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA)*.

### 9.2 LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PREFERENCE PROGRAM

- 9.2.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Local Small Business Enterprise Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.204 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- 9.2.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise.
- 9.2.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Local Small Business Enterprise.
- 9.2.4 If the Contractor has obtained certification as a Local Small Business Enterprise by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:
  - Pay to the County any difference between the contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the contract had been properly awarded:

- In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1),
   be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than
   percent of the amount of the Contract; and
- Be subject to the provisions of Chapter 2.202 of the Los Angeles County Code (Determinations of Contractor Non-responsibility and Contractor Debarment).

The above penalties shall also apply to any business that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the state and OAAC of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a contract award.

#### 9.3 OWNERSHIP OF MATERIALS, SOFTWARE AND COPYRIGHT

- 9.3.1 The County shall be the sole owner of all right, title and interest, including copyright, in and to all software, plans, diagrams, facilities, and tools (hereafter "materials") which are originated or created through the Contractor's work pursuant to this Contract. The Contractor, for valuable consideration herein provided, shall execute all documents necessary to assign and transfer to, and vest in the County all of the Contractor's right, title and interest in and to such original materials, including any copyright, patent and trade secret rights which arise pursuant to the Contractor's work under this Contract.
- 9.3.2 During the term of this Contract and for five (5) years thereafter, the Contractor shall maintain and provide security for all of the Contractor's working papers prepared under this Contract. The County shall have the right to inspect, copy and use at any time during and subsequent to the term of this Contract, any and all such working papers and all information contained therein.

- 9.3.3 Any and all materials, software and tools which are developed or were originally acquired by the Contractor outside the scope of this Contract, which the Contractor desires to use hereunder, and which the Contractor considers to be proprietary or confidential, must be specifically identified by the Contractor to the County Contract Project Manager as proprietary or confidential, and shall be plainly and prominently marked by the Contractor as "Propriety" or "Confidential" on each appropriate page of any document containing such material.
- 9.3.4 The County will use reasonable means to ensure that the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items are safeguarded and held in confidence. The County agrees not to reproduce, distribute or disclose to non-County entities any such proprietary and/or confidential items without the prior written consent of the Contractor.
- 9.3.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Contract, the County will not be obligated to the Contractor in any way under sub-paragraph 9.4.4 for any of the Contractor's proprietary and/or confidential items which are not plainly and prominently marked with restrictive legends as required by sub-paragraph 9.4.3 or for any disclosure which the County is required to make under any State or Federal law or order of court.
- 9.3.6 All the rights and obligations of this sub-paragraph 9.4 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract.

#### 9.4 PATENT, COPYRIGHT & TRADE SECRET INDEMNIFICATION

9.4.1 The Contractor shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the County from and against any and all liability, damages, costs, and expenses, including, but not limited to, defense costs and attorneys' fees, for or by reason of any actual or alleged infringement of any third party's patent or copyright, or any actual or alleged unauthorized trade secret disclosure, arising from or related to the operation and utilization of the Contractor's work under this Contract. The County shall inform the Contractor as soon as practicable of any claim or action alleging such infringement or unauthorized disclosure, and shall support the Contractor's defense and settlement thereof.

- 9.4.2 In the event any equipment, part thereof, or software product becomes the subject of any complaint, claim, or proceeding alleging infringement or unauthorized disclosure, such that the County's continued use of such item is formally restrained, enjoined, or subjected to a risk of damages, the Contractor, at its sole expense, and providing that the County's continued use of the system is not materially impeded, shall either:
  - Procure for the County all rights to continued use of the questioned equipment, part, or software product; or
  - Replace the questioned equipment, part, or software product with a non-questioned item; or
  - Modify the questioned equipment, part, or software so that it is free of claims.
- 9.4.3 The Contractor shall have no liability if the alleged infringement or unauthorized disclosure is based upon a use of the questioned product, either alone or in combination with other items not supplied by the Contractor, in a manner for which the questioned product was not designed nor intended.

### 9.5 TRANSITIONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES PREFERENCE PROGRAM

- 9.5.1 This Contract is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Transitional Job Opportunities Preference Program, as codified in Chapter 2.205 of the Los Angeles County Code.
- 9.5.2 The Contractor shall not knowingly and with the intent to defraud, fraudulently obtain, retain, attempt to obtain or retain, or aid another in fraudulently obtaining or retaining or attempting to obtain or retain certification as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor.
- 9.5.3 The Contractor shall not willfully and knowingly make a false statement with the intent to defraud, whether by affidavit, report, or other representation, to a County official or employee for the purpose of influencing the certification or denial of certification of any entity as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor.
- 9.5.4 If the Contractor has obtained County certification as a Transitional Job Opportunity vendor by reason of having furnished incorrect supporting information or by reason of having withheld information, and which knew, or should have known, the information furnished was incorrect or the information withheld was relevant to its request for certification, and which by reason of such certification has been awarded this contract to which it would not otherwise have been entitled, shall:
  - Pay to the County any difference between the Contract amount and what the County's costs would have been if the Contract had been properly awarded:

- In addition to the amount described in subdivision (1),
   be assessed a penalty in an amount of not more than
   percent (10%) of the amount of the Contract; and
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The above penalties shall also apply to any entity that has previously obtained proper certification, however, as a result of a change in their status would no longer be eligible for certification, and fails to notify the certifying department of this information prior to responding to a solicitation or accepting a Contract award.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Contractor has executed this Contract, or caused it to be duly executed and the County of Los Angeles, by order of its Board of Supervisors has caused this Contract to be executed on its behalf by the Chair of said Board and attested by the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors thereof, the day and year first above written.

CONTRACTOR: Harris & Associates

Joan E. Cox, P.E

Senior Project Manager Title

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ard of Supervisors

ATTEST:

SACHI HAMAI **Executive Officer-Clerk** of the Board of Supervisors

Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Raymond G. Fortner, Jr. County Counsel

**David Beaudet** 

Deputy County Counsel

I hereby certify that pursuant to Section 25103 of the Government Code, delivery of this document has been made.

SACHI A. HAMAI **Executive Officer** 

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

Deputy



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**EXECUTIVE OFFICER** 

### CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL TAX ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

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#### STATEMENT OF WORK

#### 1.0 BACKGROUND

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Library (Library) levies a special tax on each taxable parcel in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County (County) served by the Library and the eleven (11) cities of Cudahy, Culver City, Duarte, El Monte, La Canada-Flintridge, Lakewood, Lomita, Lynwood, Maywood, Santa Clarita, and West Hollywood. The services of an outside Contractor (Contractor) are required for the preparation of the Library's special tax database which is submitted annually to the Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller (Auditor-Controller) for inclusion on the property tax bills.

On June 3, 1997, the voters of Los Angeles County approved, by two-thirds vote, a ballot measure (Proposition L) establishing a special tax for the Library. The special tax provides funding for the Library and replaces an approximate \$9 million annual revenue that was lost when the Library's Community Facilities District #8 (CFD) was discontinued as a result of the passage of Proposition 218 in November 1996. Proposition 218 prohibited the County from continuing the CFD property assessment after June 30, 1997.

The revenue generated by the special tax is used to increase service levels in 44 libraries serving the areas subject to the special tax. These include 29 libraries located in unincorporated areas, and fifteen (15) libraries in the eleven (11) cities listed above. The ballot measure specified that the revenue generated from the special tax levy be dedicated exclusively to support library services in the communities subject to the special tax.

Proposition L authorized a special tax of \$22 per year on all taxable parcels, regardless of size or type of property. The special tax is subject to an annual Consumer Price Index adjustment effective on July 1. The special tax is adjusted for inflation in the same manner as the general *ad valorem* property tax and cannot exceed two percent per year. The current special tax rate per parcel is \$26.75. The Library's special tax is levied on approximately 460,000 parcels per year.

#### 2.0 SPECIFIC WORK REQUIREMENTS

#### 2.1 REQUIRED ANNUAL SERVICES

#### 2.1.1 PRELIMINARY DATABASE UPDATE

The Contractor shall update the prior year special tax database with parcel change information and provide the summary data required by the Library.

#### 2.1.1.1 Parcel Change Updates

The Contractor will update the Library's prior year special tax database to reflect parcel changes provided by the Library including, but not limited to, annexations and detachments of parcels as well as documented changes to the taxable status of parcels based on Library staff review.

#### 2.1.1.2 Preliminary Summary Data

The Contractor shall provide preliminary summary information for each city and the unincorporated portion of the County reflecting parcel change updates provided by the Library.

#### 2.1.2 SPECIAL TAX LEVY

The Contractor will incorporate the most current Los Angeles County Assessor's (Assessor) parcel information into the special tax database, submit the special tax amounts to the Auditor-Controller for inclusion on the property tax bills, and provide summary information to the Library regarding what was accepted and levied by the County.

#### 2.1.2.1 Database Update

In mid to late June, the Contractor will coordinate with the Library to obtain the most current equalized County Assessor's Roll for the entire County (Secured Basic File), Cross Reference Roll, County TRA Agency Listing, and the County Agency TRA Cross Reference. The

Contractor will incorporate the new parcel information into the special tax database. The Contractor will sign the Contractor's Confidentiality and Nondisclosure Agreement form (Attachment II), provided by the Library for receiving proprietary information from the Assessor.

#### 2.1.2.2 Special Tax Rate and Authorization to Proceed

For each fiscal year, the Library will provide the Contractor with the tax rate to be applied to each parcel and the authorization to proceed with finalizing the special tax roll.

#### 2.1.2.3 Submittal to Auditor-Controller

After confirmation of the tax rate, the Contractor will submit the special tax roll in the required electronic format to the Auditor-Controller's office and make necessary corrections, as required, after receipt of the Exception Report from the Auditor-Controller.

#### 2.1.2.4 Final Summary

The Contractor shall provide the Library with a summary of the final special tax levy, as accepted by the Auditor-Controller, for each city and the unincorporated portion of the County. This includes providing a listing of the Assessor's map books within the unincorporated areas and the associated total amount of the special tax generated in each map book.

#### 2.1.2.5 Interface Program Update

The Contractor will provide the Library with an updated electronic database for the interface program that is compatible with the Library's network environment. The Contractor will provide one (1) copy of the update on a CD-ROM. The Contractor will also provide the Library

with a copy of the database in Microsoft Access format on a CD-ROM.

#### 2.2 DATABASE AUDIT

Due to ongoing annexation of territories between cities and the County, a database audit shall be conducted every five (5) years, unless required more frequently by the Library, to confirm that all appropriate parcels are included in the special tax database and that there are no inappropriate parcels. The last database audit was performed in Fiscal Year 2004-05. Therefore, the next regular audit will be conducted in Fiscal Year 2009-10 after the assessments for that year have been submitted to and accepted by the Auditor-Controller.

#### 2.2.1 Information Collection

The Contractor shall coordinate with the Library to obtain the most current equalized County Assessor's Roll for the entire County (Secured Basic File), Cross Reference Roll, the County TRA Agency Listing, and the County Agency TRA Cross Reference. The Contractor will sign the *Contractor's Confidentiality and Nondisclosure Agreement* form (Attachment II), provided by the Library for receiving proprietary information from the Assessor.

#### 2.2.2 Database Audit

The Contractor will examine all provided information to determine the parcels belonging within the special tax district boundaries. A new database will be created based on said parcel determination, and a comparison of the new database with the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 database will be made to identify inconsistencies. The Contractor shall provide a report to the Library discussing the findings resulting from the database audit. A single consolidated database will be compiled based on the findings and agreed upon resolution of identified inconsistencies.

#### 2.3 SCHEDULE

The work, as specified in 2.0 - Specific Work Requirements, will be performed in accordance with the time requirements specified by the Auditor-Controller, to the extent that it is feasible for the Contractor to meet those time requirements.

The Preliminary Summary Data (2.1.1.2) and Final Summary (2.1.2.4) will be provided to the Library on a schedule mutually agreed between the Library and the Contractor. The Interface Program Update, (2.1.2.5), and the Database Audit (2.2), will be conducted, reviewed, and completed based on a schedule mutually agreed between the Library and the Contractor.

#### 2.4 OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL SERVICES

The County Contract Project Director is authorized to request and approve Optional Additional Services. These services are supplemental to the Required Annual Services described in 2.1. The County Contract Project Director will request the Contractor to submit a proposal for the optional additional work contemplated. The County Contract Project Director shall authorize said work based upon Contractor's proposal. In the event that the Contractor's proposal for optional additional services is not approved, the County Contract Project Director reserves the right to perform such work with County forces or to contract with a third party for such work.

#### 2.4.1 Corrections

When corrections need to be made after the final special tax levy submission to the Auditor-Controller, the Contractor will assist the Library with the preparation of corrected data in a format acceptable to the Auditor-Controller. The Contractor will modify the database to correct the special tax amount assigned to the identified parcels, as specified by the Library, and will transmit the corrections to the Auditor-Controller.

- 2.4.2 The Contractor will assist the Library in analyzing and preparing a direct bill for any special tax that was dropped from the tax roll as a result of parcel changes.
- 2.4.3 The Contractor will provide the Library with a summary of the final special tax levy for each Library service area based on Library's parcel service area information.
- **2.4.4** The Contractor will conduct additional database audits as required by the Library.
- **2.4.5** Special Tax Database Interface Program Expansion of capabilities.
- **2.4.6** Any other special tax-related services.

#### 3.0 QUALITY CONTROL

The Contractor shall establish and utilize a comprehensive Quality Control Plan to assure the Library a consistently high level of service throughout the term of the Contract. The Plan shall be submitted to the County Contract Project Manager for review. The plan shall include, but may not be limited to the following:

- Method of monitoring to ensure that Statement of Work requirements are being met;
- A record of all inspections conducted by the Contractor, any corrective action taken, the time a problem was first identified, a clear description of the problem, and the time elapsed between identification and completed corrective action, shall be provided to the Library upon request.

#### 4.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN

The Library will evaluate the Contractor's performance under the Contract on not less than an annual basis using the County's Quality Assurance Plan procedures included in the Contract.

#### 4.1 Meetings as Required

The Contractor shall meet with the Library as needed to monitor the successful progress of the work not to exceed one (1) meeting per month.

#### 4.2 Contract Performance Discrepancy Report

Verbal notification of a Contract performance discrepancy will be made to the County Contract Project Manager as soon as possible whenever a Contract performance discrepancy is identified. The problem shall be resolved within a time period mutually agreed upon by the County Contract Project Manager and the Contractor.

The County Contract Project Manager will determine whether a formal Contract Performance Discrepancy Report (Attachment I) shall be issued. Upon receipt of this document, the Contractor is required to respond in writing to the County Contract Project Manager within five (5) working days, acknowledging the reported discrepancies or presenting contrary evidence. A plan for correction of all deficiencies identified in the Contract Performance Discrepancy Report shall be submitted to the County Contract Project Manager within ten (10) working days.

#### 4.3 Library Observations

In addition to departmental contracting staff, other Library personnel may observe performance, activities, and review documents relevant to the Contract at any time during normal business hours. However, these personnel may not unreasonably interfere with the Contractor's performance.

#### 5.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Library's and the Contractor's responsibilities are as follows:

#### 5.1 LIBRARY

#### 5.1.1 Personnel

The Library will administer the Contract according to Contract section 6.0 – Administration of Contract - County. Specific duties will include:

- **5.1.1.1** Monitoring the Contractor's performance of the day-to-day operation of the Contract.
- **5.1.1.2** Providing direction to the Contractor in areas relating to policy, information and procedural requirements.

**5.1.1.3** Requesting and approving the Contractor's proposal for Optional Additional Services.

#### 5.1.2 Furnished Items

- 5.1.2.1 Provide all available data from the County, which is pertinent to Contractor's work, including, but not limited to, copies of the latest Assessor's parcel maps, County basemaps, past annexation maps and past parcel corrections, and any other maps as needed and requested.
- 5.1.2.2 Provide the most current equalized County Assessor's Roll for the entire County (Secured Basic File), as well as the County Cross-reference Roll, the County TRA Agency Listing, the County Agency TRA Cross Reference and other information as needed.
- **5.1.2.3** Assist with coordination and information gathering from the Assessor's office and the Auditor-Controller's office as needed.
- **5.1.2.4** Provide qualified legal counsel to draft all legal notices, resolutions, etc., and provide legal advice.
- 5.1.2.5 Schedule and conduct public information meetings as needed.
- **5.1.2.6** Schedule meetings and hearings as required by law.
- **5.1.2.7** Answer public inquiries regarding the special tax.

#### 5.2 CONTRACTOR

#### 5.2.1 Contract Project Manager

5.2.1.1 The Contractor shall provide a full-time Contract Project Manager or his/her designee that is satisfactory to the County. The Library must have access to the Contract Project Manager or his/her designee, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST), excluding holidays.

- 5.2.1.2 The Contract Project Manager or his/her designee shall act as a primary point of contact with the Library. The Contract Project Manager shall demonstrate previous experience in the management of work requirements for facilities similar in size and complexity.
- 5.2.1.3 The Contract Project Manager or his/her designee shall have full authority to act for the Contractor on all matters relating to the day-to-day operation of the work required by the Contract. The Contract Project Manager or his/her designee shall be able to communicate effectively and must speak and understand English.

#### 5.2.2 Personnel

- 5.2.2.1 The Contractor shall assign a sufficient number of employees to perform the required work. At least one employee on site shall be authorized to act for the Contractor in every detail and must speak and understand English.
- **5.2.2.2** The Library may require the Contractor, at its expense, to conduct background security checks on its employees.

#### 5.2.3 Materials and Equipment

The purchase of all materials/equipment to provide the needed services is the responsibility of the Contractor.

#### 5.2.4 Training

- 5.2.4.1 The Contractor shall provide training programs for all new employees and continuing in-service training for all employees.
- 5.2.4.2 All employees shall be trained in their assigned tasks and in the safe handling of equipment. All equipment shall be checked daily for safety.

#### 5.2.5 Contractor's Office

The Contractor shall maintain an office with a telephone in the company's name where the Contractor conducts business. At least one employee who can respond to inquiries and complaints and who must speak and understand English, which may be received about the Contractor's performance under the Contract, shall staff the office Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. PST.

#### **CONTRACT DISCREPANCY REPORT**

TO:		
FROM:		
DATES:		
Prepared:		
Returned by Contractor:		
Action Completed:		
DISCREPANCY PROBLEMS:	·	
Signature of County Representative	Date	
CONTRACTOR RESPONSE (Cause and Corrective Action):		
Signature of Contractor Representative	Date	
COUNTY EVALUATION OF CONTRACTOR RESPONSE:		
Signature of County Representative	Date	
COUNTY ACTIONS:		
CONTRACTOR NOTIFIED OF ACTION:		
County Representative's Signature and Date		
Contractor Representative's Signature and Date		

#### **Contractor's Confidentiality and Nondisclosure Agreement**

The County of Los Angeles Public Library (Public Library) p (CONTRACTOR) with the Los Angeles County Assessor's S Cross Reference Roll, and TRA Agency Listing files for the which were obtained by the Public Library as a County of proprietary information of the Office of the Los Angeles CONTRACTOR shall not use the Product for any purpose of work that is authorized and in accordance with Section Work for Contract No	Secured Basic File Abstract, e entire County ("Product"), epartment. The Product is a County Assessor. The other than the performance in 2.1.2 of the Statement of y with the Special Tax levy not sell, release, free trade, or indirectly, to third parties insure that the Product is not as provided herein. Upon all destroy or immediately sion may be enforced by the ontractor or employee of indition or promise of this wrongful use or disclosure, ary and final injunctive relief ury; (2) all other remedies
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PUBLIC LIBRARY Name, Title, County Contract Project Director	DATE
HARRIS & ASSOCIATES Name, Title, Contract Project Manager	DATE

#### **PRICING SCHEDULE**

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The following table lists the Contractor's fees for required services:

REQUIRED SERVICES	FEE
Preliminary Database Update	\$3,500
Special Tax Levy	\$13,500
Database Audit	\$16,500

The following table lists fees that will be charged for submitting correction tapes after the special tax levy submission deadline to the County Auditor-Controller:

OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL SERVICES Correction	FEE
First 100 parcels included on correction tape	\$850
Each additional 100 parcels to be placed on same tape	\$160

Other optional additional services will be charged based on the following hourly rates:

POSITION	HOURLY RATE
Project Director	\$250
Project Manager	\$250
Deputy Project Manager	\$220 to \$250
Senior Project Analyst	\$100 to \$125
Project Analyst	\$75 to \$90
Clerical Staff	\$65

Expenses: At cost

#### **CONTRACTOR'S EEO CERTIFICATION**

	HARRIS 8 ASSOCIATES		
Cont	ractor Name		
	34 EXECUTIVE PARK, SUITE 150, IRV	INE, CA	72614
Addr			
	94-2385238		
Inter	nal Revenue Service Employer Identification Number		•
	GENERAL CERTIFICATION		
firm, the tand	ccordance with Section 4.32.010 of the Code of the County ractor, supplier, or vendor certifies and agrees that all persists affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies are and without regard to or because of race, religion, ancestry in compliance with all anti-discrimination laws of the Unite State of California.	sons employed vill be treated e y, national origi	by such equally by in, or sex
	CONTRACTOR'S SPECIFIC CERTIFICATION	ONS	
1.	The Contractor has a written policy statement prohibiting discrimination in all phases of employment.	Yes ⊠r	No □
2.	The Contractor periodically conducts a self analysis or utilization analysis of its work force.	Yes ⊠	No □
3.	The Contractor has a system for determining if its employment practices are discriminatory against protected groups.	Yes ⊠	No □
4.	Where problem areas are identified in employment practices, the Contractor has a system for taking reasonable corrective action, to include establishment of goals or timetables.	Yes ⊈	No □
	JOAN E. COX, SEMIOR PROJECT MA	NAGER	
Auth	norized Official's Printed Name and Title		
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		11- FEB-20	08
Autl	nortzed Official's Signature	Date	

#### **COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION**

CONTRACT N	NO
COUNTY PR	ROJECT DIRECTOR:
Name:	David Flint
Title:	Assistant Director, Finance & Planning
Address:	7400 East Imperial Highway
	Downey, Ca 90242
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Facsimile:	(562) 803-3032
E-Mail Addre	ess:dflint@library.lacounty.gov
COUNTY PR	ROJECT MANAGER:
Name:	Malou Rubio
Title:	Head, Staff Services
Address:	7400 East Imperial Highway
	Downey, Ca 90242
Telephone:	(562) 940-8450
Facsimile:	(562) 803-0330
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#### **CONTRACTOR'S ADMINISTRATION**

CONTRACTOR'S	SNAME: HARRIS & ASSOCIATES			
CONTRACT NO:				
CONTRACTOR'S	S PROJECT MANAGER:			
Name:	JOAN E. COX, PE			
	SR PROJECT MANAGER			
Address:	34 EXECUTIVE PARK, SUITE 150			
	IRVINE, CA 92614			
Telephone:	949-655-3900 x 337			
Facsimile:	949-655-3995			
E-Mail Address:	JOOX @ HARRIS - ASSOC, COM			
CONTRACTOR	C ALITHODIZED OFFICIAL (C)			
	S AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL(S)			
	JEFFREY M. COOPER, PE			
-	SR. VICE PRESIDENT			
	34 EXECUTIVE PARK, SUITE 150			
	IRVINE, CA 92614			
	949-655-3900 × 333			
Facsimile:	949 - 655 - 3995			
E-Mail Address:	JCOOPER @ HARRIS-ASSOC, COM			
Name:	JOAN E. COX, PE			
	SR. PROJECT MANAGER			
Address:	LSAME AS ABOVEY			
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Telephone:				
Facsimile:				
E-Mail Address:				
Notices to Cont	ractor shall be sent to the following:			
Name:	JOAN E. COX, PE			
Title:	SR. PROJECT MANAGER			
Address:	(SAME AS ABOVE)			
Telephone:				
Facsimile:				
E-Mail Address:				

#### FORMS REQUIRED AT THE TIME OF CONTRACT EXECUTION

- F1 CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
- F2 CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT
- F3 CONTRACTOR NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY

  AGREEMENT

#### CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note:	This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Contract.	Work cannot
•	begin on the Contract until County receives this executed document.)	

CONTRACTOR NAME	HARRIS	8	ASSOCIATES	Contract No

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

The Contractor referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires the Corporation to sign this Contractor Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.

#### CONTRACTOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:

Contractor understands and agrees that the Contractor employees, consultants, Outsourced Vendors and independent contractors (Contractor's Staff) that will provide services in the above referenced agreement are Contractor's sole responsibility. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff must rely exclusively upon Contractor for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable by virtue of Contractor's Staff's performance of work under the above-referenced contract.

Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff are not employees of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that Contractor's Staff do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor's Staff will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.

#### **CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:**

Contractor and Contractor's Staff may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, Contractor and Contractor's Staff may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. Contractor and Contractor's Staff understand that if they are involved in County work, the County must ensure that Contractor and Contractor's Staff, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, Contractor must sign this Confidentiality Agreement as a condition of work to be provided by Contractor's Staff for the County.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff hereby agrees that they will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received to County's Project Manager.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to Contractor and Contractor's Staff under the above-referenced contract. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, Contractor and Contractor's Staff shall keep such information confidential.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff agree to report any and all violations of this agreement by Contractor and Contractor's Staff and/or by any other person of whom Contractor and Contractor's Staff become aware.

Contractor and Contractor's Staff acknowledge that violation of this agreement may subject Contractor and Contractor's Staff to civil and/or criminal action and that the County of Los Angeles may seek all possible legal redress.

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SIGNATURE:	444	DATE:	2111108
PRINTED NAME:	JOAN E. COX		
POSITION:	SR. PROJECT MANAGER		

#### CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Contract. Work cannot begin on the Contract until County receives this executed document.)
Contractor Name HARRIS & ASSOCIATES Contract No
Employee Name
GENERAL INFORMATION:
Your employer referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement.
EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:
I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above is my sole employer for purposes of the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon my employer for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract.
I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles.
I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced contract is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future contract.
CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:
I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by my employer for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken due time to consider it prior to signing.
I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between my employer and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to my immediate supervisor.
I agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced contract. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than my employer or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me during this employment, I shall keep such information confidential.
I agree to report to my immediate supervisor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to my immediate supervisor upon completion of this contract or termination of my employment with my employer, whichever occurs first.
SIGNATURE: DATE: 2 / 11 / 08
PRINTED NAME:
POSITION: SR, PROJECT MANAGER

#### CONTRACTOR NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT

(Note: This certification is to be executed and returned to County with Contractor's executed Contract. Work cannot begin on the Contract until County receives this executed document.) HARRIS & ASSOCIATES Contract No. Contractor Name Non-Employee Name **GENERAL INFORMATION:** The Contractor referenced above has entered into a contract with the County of Los Angeles to provide certain services to the County. The County requires your signature on this Contractor Non-Employee Acknowledgement and Confidentiality Agreement. NON-EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: I understand and agree that the Contractor referenced above has exclusive control for purposes of the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I must rely exclusively upon the Contractor referenced above for payment of salary and any and all other benefits payable to me or on my behalf by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I am not an employee of the County of Los Angeles for any purpose whatsoever and that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits of any kind from the County of Los Angeles by virtue of my performance of work under the above-referenced contract. I understand and agree that I do not have and will not acquire any rights or benefits from the County of Los Angeles pursuant to any agreement between any person or entity and the County of Los Angeles. I understand and agree that I may be required to undergo a background and security investigation(s). I understand and agree that my continued performance of work under the above-referenced contract is contingent upon my passing, to the satisfaction of the County, any and all such investigations. I understand and agree that my failure to pass, to the satisfaction of the County, any such investigation shall result in my immediate release from performance under this and/or any future contract. CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT: I may be involved with work pertaining to services provided by the County of Los Angeles and, if so, I may have access to confidential data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County. In addition, I may also have access to proprietary information supplied by other vendors doing business with the County of Los Angeles. The County has a legal obligation to protect all such confidential data and information in its possession, especially data and information concerning health, criminal, and welfare recipient records. I understand that if I am involved in County work, the County must ensure that I, too, will protect the confidentiality of such data and information. Consequently, I understand that I must sign this agreement as a condition of my work to be provided by the above-referenced Contractor for the County. I have read this agreement and have taken due time to consider it prior to signing. I hereby agree that I will not divulge to any unauthorized person any data or information obtained while performing work pursuant to the above-referenced contract between the above-referenced Contractor and the County of Los Angeles. I agree to forward all requests for the release of any data or information received by me to the above-referenced Contractor. I agree to keep confidential all health, criminal, and welfare recipient records and all data and information pertaining to persons and/or entities receiving services from the County, design concepts, algorithms, programs, formats, documentation, Contractor proprietary information, and all other original materials produced, created, or provided to or by me under the above-referenced contract. I agree to protect these confidential materials against disclosure to other than the above-referenced Contractor or County employees who have a need to know the information. I agree that if proprietary information supplied by other County vendors is provided to me. I shall keep such information confidential. I agree to report to the above-referenced Contractor any and all violations of this agreement by myself and/or by any other person of whom I become aware. I agree to return all confidential materials to the above-referenced Contractor upon completion of this contract or termination of my services hereunder, whichever occurs first. DATE: 2 / 11 / 08 SIGNATURE: PRINTED NAME:

SR

POSITION:

PROJECT MANAGER

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#### 2.203.010 Findings.

The board of supervisors makes the following findings. The county of Los Angeles allows its permanent, full-time employees unlimited jury service at their regular pay. Unfortunately, many businesses do not offer or are reducing or even eliminating compensation to employees who serve on juries. This creates a potential financial hardship for employees who do not receive their pay when called to jury service, and those employees often seek to be excused from having to serve. Although changes in the court rules make it more difficult to excuse a potential juror on grounds of financial hardship, potential jurors continue to be excused on this basis, especially from longer trials. This reduces the number of potential jurors and increases the burden on those employers, such as the county of Los Angeles, who pay their permanent, full-time employees while on juror duty. For these reasons, the county of Los Angeles has determined that it is appropriate to require that the businesses with which the county contracts possess reasonable jury service policies. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.020 Definitions.

The following definitions shall be applicable to this chapter:

- A. "Contractor" means a person, partnership, corporation or other entity which has a contract with the county or a subcontract with a county contractor and has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more such contracts or subcontracts.
- B. "Employee" means any California resident who is a full-time employee of a contractor under the laws of California.
- C. "Contract" means any agreement to provide goods to, or perform services for or on behalf of, the county but does not include:
  - 1. A contract where the board finds that special circumstances exist that justify a waiver of the requirements of this chapter; or
  - 2. A contract where federal or state law or a condition of a federal or state program mandates the use of a particular contractor; or
  - 3. A purchase made through a state or federal contract; or
  - 4. A monopoly purchase that is exclusive and proprietary to a specific manufacturer, distributor, or reseller, and must match and inter-member with existing supplies, equipment or systems maintained by the county pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual. Section P-3700 or a successor provision; or
  - 5. A revolving fund (petty cash) purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Fiscal Manual, Section 4.4.0 or a successor provision; or
  - 6. A purchase card purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section P-2810 or a successor provision; or
  - 7. A non-agreement purchase with a value of less than \$5,000 pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section A-0300 or a successor provision; or
  - 8. A bona fide emergency purchase pursuant to the Los Angeles County Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual, Section PP-1100 or a successor provision.

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- D. "Full time" means 40 hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours if:
  - 1. The lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by the chief administrative officer, or
  - 2. The contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full time.
- E. "County" means the county of Los Angeles or any public entities for which the board of supervisors is the governing body. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 1, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.030 Applicability.

This chapter shall apply to contractors who enter into contracts that commence after July 11, 2002. This chapter shall also apply to contractors with existing contracts which are extended into option years that commence after July 11, 2002. Contracts that commence after May 28, 2002, but before July 11, 2002, shall be subject to the provisions of this chapter only if the solicitations for such contracts stated that the chapter would be applicable. (Ord. 2002-0040 § 2, 2002: Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.040 Contractor Jury Service Policy.

A contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from the contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service. The policy may provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with the contractor or that the contractor deduct from the employees' regular pay the fees received for jury service. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.050 Other Provisions.

- A. Administration. The chief administrative officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The chief administrative officer may, with the advice of county counsel, issue interpretations of the provisions of this chapter and shall issue written instructions on the implementation and ongoing administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other county departments.
- B. Compliance Certification. At the time of seeking a contract, a contractor shall certify to the county that it has and adheres to a policy consistent with this chapter or will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### 2.203.060 Enforcement and Remedies.

For a contractor's violation of any provision of this chapter, the county department head responsible for administering the contract may do one or more of the following:

- 1. Recommend to the board of supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or,
- 2. Pursuant to chapter 2.202, seek the debarment of the contractor. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

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#### 2.203.070. Exceptions.

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any contractor or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with the laws of the United States or California.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. This chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.
- C. Small Business. This chapter shall not be applied to any contractor that meets all of the following:
  - 1. Has ten or fewer employees during the contract period; and,
  - 2. Has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, are less than \$500,000; and,
  - 3. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

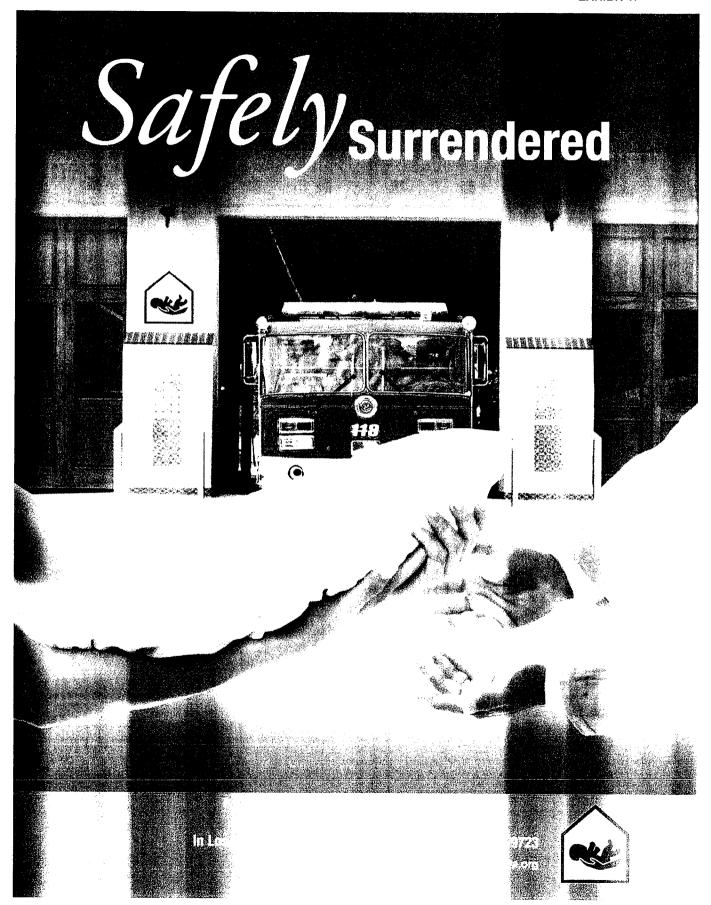
#### 2.203.090. Severability.

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect. (Ord. 2002-0015 § 1 (part), 2002)

#### SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW

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## Safelvennendered

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents or other persons, with lawful custody, which means anyone to whom the parent has given permission to confidentially surrender a baby. As long as the baby is three days (72 hours) of age or younger and has not been abused or neglected, the baby may be surrendered without fear of arrest or prosecution.

#### How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially, and safely surrender a baby within three days (72 hours) of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a hospital or fire station in Los Angeles County. As long as the baby shows no sign of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, staff will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent or other surrendering adult.

#### What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their baby within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

#### Can only a parent bring in the baby?

No. While in most cases a parent will bring in the baby, the Law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have lawful custody.

## Does the parent or surrendering adult have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent or surrendering adult can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, as long as the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

## Does the parent or surrendering adult have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital or fire station personnel will ask the surrendering party to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the baby. The questionnaire includes a stamped return envelope and can be sent in at a later time.

#### What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment. Upon release from the hospital, social workers immediately place the baby in a safe and loving home and begin the adoption process.

#### What happens to the parent or surrendering adult?

Once the parent or surrendering adult surrenders the baby to hospital or fire station personnel, they may leave at any time.

#### Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned, hurt or killed by their parents. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. Their parents may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had no one or nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their babies. Abandoning a baby is illegal and places the baby in extreme danger. Too often, it results in the baby's death. The Safely Surrendered Baby Law prevents this tragedy from ever happening again in California.

#### A baby's

Early in the morning on April 9, 2005, a healthy baby boy was safely surrendered to nurses at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center. The woman who brought the baby to the hospital identified herself as the baby's aunt and stated the baby's mother had asked her to bring the baby to the hospital on her behalf. The aunt was given a bracelet with a number matching the anklet placed on the baby: this would provide some identification in the event the mother changed her mind about surrendering the baby and wished to reclaim the baby in the 14-day period allowed by the Law. The aunt was also provided with a medical questionnaire and said she would have the mother complete and mail back in the stamped return envelope provided. The baby was examined by medical staff and pronounced healthy and full-term. He was placed with a loving family that had been approved to adopt him by the Department of Children and Family Services.

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## Ley de Entrega de Bebés

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Siempre que el bebé tenga tres
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#### ¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura dentro de los tres días (72 horas) del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de cualquier hospital o cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Ángeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazalete y el padre/madre o el adulto que lo entregue recibirá un brazalete igual.

#### ¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden comenzar el proceso de reclamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Ángeles al 1-800-540-4000.

#### ¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

No. Si bien en la mayoría de los casos son los padres los que llevan al bebé, la ley permite que otras personas lo hagan si tienen custodia legal.

#### ¿Los padres o el adulto que entrega al bebé deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre o adulto puede llevar al bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, siempre y cuando entreguen a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o cuartel de bomberos.

#### ¿Es necesario que el padre/ madre o adulto diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos le pedirá a la persona que entregue al bebé que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para cuidar bien del bebé. El cuestionario incluye un sobre con el sello postal pagado para enviarlo en otro momento.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y le brindarán atención médica. Cuando le den el alta del hospital, los trabajadores sociales inmediatamente ubicarán al bebé en un hogar seguro donde estará bien atendido, y se comenzará el proceso de adopción.

#### ¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre o adulto que entregue al bebé?

Una vez que los padres o adulto hayan entregado al bebé al personal del hospital o cuartel de bomberos, pueden irse en cualquier momento.

#### ¿Por qué se está haciendo esto en California? ?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés para que no sean abandonados, lastimados o muertos por sus padres. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Los padres de esos bebés probablemente hayan estado pasando por dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus bebés porque tenían miedo y no tenían nadie a quien pedir ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido es ilegal y pone al bebé en una situación de peligro extremo. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. La Ley de Entrega de Bebés sin Peligro impide que vuelva a suceder esta tragedia en California.

#### Historia un bebé

A la mañana temprano del día 9 de abril de 2005, se entregó un recién nacido saludable a las enfermeras del Harbor-UCIA Medical Center. La mujer que llevó el recién nacido al hospital se dio a conocer como la tía del bebé, y dijo que la madre le había pedido que llevara al bebé al hospital en su nombre. Le entregaron a la tía un brazalete con un número que coincidía con la pulsera del bebé; esto serviría como identificación en caso de que la madre cambiara de opinión con respecto a la entrega del bebé y decidiera recuperarlo dentro del período de 14 días que permite esta ley. También le dieron a la tía un cuestionario médico, y ella dijo que la madre lo llenaría y lo enviaría de vuelta dentro del sobre con franqueo pagado que le habían dado. El personal médico examinó al bebé y se determinó que estaba saludable y a término. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia que ya había sido aprobada para adoptarlo por el Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias.

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## AGREEMENT CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATIONS AS A "BUSINESS ASSOCIATE" UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 (HIPAA)

Under this Agreement, Contractor ("Business Associate") provides services ("Services") to County ("Covered Entity") and Business Associate receives, has access to, or creates Protected Health Information in order to provide those Services. Covered Entity is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information ("the Privacy Regulations") and the Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards ("the Security Regulations") at 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164 ("together, the "Privacy and Security Regulations").

The Privacy and Security Regulations require Covered Entity to enter into a contract with Business Associate in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of Protected Health Information, and those Regulations prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Business Associate if such a contract is not in place.

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

#### 1.0 **DEFINITIONS**

- 1.1 "<u>Disclose</u>" and "<u>Disclosure</u>" means, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its employees.
- "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Media means (1) Electronic storage media including memory devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; or (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the internet (wide-open), extranet (using internet technology to link a business with information accessible only to collaborating parties), leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media, because the information being exchanged did not exist in electronic form before the transmission.
- 1.3 "<u>Electronic Protected Health Information</u>" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.

- 1.4 "Individual" means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information, and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).
- "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.503, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. Protected Health Information includes information, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium, that (i) relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of an Individual; the provision of health care to an Individual, or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an Individual; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the Individual); and (iii) is received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, or is created by Business Associate, or is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Health Information.
- "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information and that is enforceable in a court of law. Required by law includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants; subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or any administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care providers participating in the program; and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing benefits.
- 1.7 "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information in, or interference with system operations of, an Information System which contains Electronic Protected Health Information. However, Security Incident does not include attempts to access an Information System when those attempts are not reasonably considered by Business Associate to constitute an actual threat to the Information System.
- 1.8 "Services" has the same meaning as in the body of this Agreement.
- 1.9 "<u>Use</u>" or "<u>Uses</u>" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations.
- 1.10 Terms used, but not otherwise defined, in this Paragraph shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Regulations.

#### 2.0 OBLIGATIONS OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

- 2.1 Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information. Business Associate:
  - (a) shall Use and Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform the Services, and as provided in Sub-sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 of this Agreement;

- (b) shall Disclose Protected Health Information to Covered Entity upon request;
- (c) may, as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities:
  - (i) Use Protected Health Information; and
  - (ii) Disclose Protected Health Information if the Disclosure is Required by Law.

Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for any other purpose.

- 2.2 Adequate Safeguards for Protected Health Information. Business Associate:
  - (a) shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information in any manner other than as permitted by this Paragraph. Business Associate agrees to limit the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information to the minimum necessary in accordance with the Privacy Regulation's minimum necessary standard.
  - (b) effective as of April 20, 2005, specifically as to Electronic Health Information, shall implement and maintain administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Electronic Protected Health Information.
- 2.3 Reporting Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure and Security Incidents. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity each Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure that is made by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors, but is not specifically permitted by this Agreement, and effective as of April 20, 2005, shall report to Covered Entity each Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware. The initial report shall be made by telephone call to the Covered Entity's HIPAA Privacy Officer within forty-eight (48) hours from the time the Business Associate becomes aware of the Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident, followed by a full written report no later than ten (10) business days from the date the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident to the Chief Privacy Officer at:

Chief HIPAA Privacy Officer, County of Los Angeles Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple St. Suite 410 Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 974-2164

- 2.4 <u>Mitigation of Harmful Effect</u>. Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Paragraph.
- 2.5. Availability of Internal Practices, Books and Records to Government Agencies. Business Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information available to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations. Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.
- Access to Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and copy that Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall provide such access for inspection of that Protected Health Information within two (2) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity. Business Associate shall provide copies of that Protected Health Information within five (5) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity.
- 2.7 <u>Amendment of Protected Health Information</u>. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make any amendments to Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity. Business Associate shall make such amendment within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.
- Accounting of Disclosures. Business Associate agrees to maintain documentation of the information required to provide an accounting of Disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528, and to make this information available to Covered Entity upon Covered Entity's request, in order to allow Covered Entity to respond to an Individual's request for accounting of disclosures. However, Business Associate is not required to provide an accounting of Disclosures that are necessary to perform its Services if such Disclosures are for either payment or health care operations purposes, or both. Additionally, such accounting is limited to disclosures that were made in the six (6) years prior to the request (not including disclosures that were made prior to the compliance date of the Privacy Rule, April 14, 2003) and shall be provided for as long as Business Associate maintains the Protected Health Information.

Any accounting provided by Business Associate under this Section 2.8 shall include: (a) the date of the Disclosure; (b) the name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information; (c) a brief description of the Protected Health Information disclosed; and (d) a brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure. For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under this Sub-section 2.8, Business Associate shall document the information specified in (a) through (d), above, and shall securely maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this Sub-section 2.8 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

#### 3.0 OBLIGATION OF COVERED ENTITY

3.1 <u>Obligation of Covered Entity</u>. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the use of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own uses and disclosures accordingly.

#### 4.0 TERM AND TERMINATION

- 4.1 <u>Term.</u> The term of this Paragraph shall be the same as the term of this Agreement. Business Associate's obligations under Sections 2.1 (as modified by Section 4.2), 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- 4.2 <u>Termination for Cause</u>. In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in this Agreement, upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:
  - (a) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation, and terminate this Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity; or
  - (b) Immediately terminate this Agreement if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Paragraph and cure is not possible; or
  - (c) If neither termination or cure are feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

#### 4.3 <u>Disposition of Protected Health Information Upon Termination or Expiration</u>

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Agreement, Business Associate shall return or destroy all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or

created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to Protected Health Information that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

(b) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the Protected Health Information is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make it infeasible. If return or destruction is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such Protected Health Information and limit further Uses and Disclosures of such Protected Health Information to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such Protected Health Information.

#### 5.0 MISCELLANEOUS

- 5.1 <u>No Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Nothing in this Paragraph shall confer upon any person other than the parties and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.
- 5.2 <u>Use of Subcontractors and Agents</u>. Business Associate shall require each of its agents and subcontractors that receive Protected Health Information from Business Associate, or create Protected Health Information for Business Associate, on behalf of Covered Entity, to execute a written agreement obligating the agent or subcontractor to comply with all the terms of this Agreement.
- 5.3 <u>Relationship to Agreement Provisions</u>. In the event that a provision of this Paragraph is contrary to any other provision of this Agreement, the provision of this Paragraph shall control. Otherwise, this Paragraph shall be construed under, and in accordance, with the terms of the Agreement.
- 5.4 <u>Regulatory References</u>. A reference in this Paragraph to a section in the Privacy or Security Regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 5.5 <u>Interpretation</u>. Any ambiguity in this Paragraph shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Regulations.
- 5.6 <u>Amendment</u>. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Paragraph from time to time as is necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Regulations.

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